IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Allen D. Polowinczak

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION (RCE) MAILED OCTOBER 10, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Reply to the Office Action mailed October 10, 2006. The original period of response to the Office Action is a shortened statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date. Additionally, a Petition for a one (1) month extension of time is included herewith. Further, February 10, 2007, falls on a Saturday and February 11, 2007, falls on a Sunday. Accordingly, the time period for response is February 12, 2007, and this Reply is submitted within that time limit. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in the present Application in view of the Amendments and Remarks below.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.